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Plot and Counter-Plot.

"O, Millie! I am in such a dilemma, if you don't help me out, the powers only knows who will," said Kate Somers, threw herself imploringly at her cousin's feet.

"What is the trouble now?" quietly enquired the person addressed, with a hearty laugh at the serious face of her cousin.

"Millie, you mustn't laugh, it's serious, awful serious," and the bright young countenance wore, or attempted to wear a very solemn aspect.

Kate Somers was a bright, sparkling brunette, whose small, graceful form, sparkling black eyes, and black, glossy curly hair, rendered her very attractive to many of the sterner sex.

Millie Wintrop, her cousin, was, on the contrary, a tall, stately blonde, with lovely blue eyes, and light, sunny ringlets.

These two bright, young girls, in such contrast, made a pretty picture in the warm sunlight that shone in through the richly curtained windows.

"Sit down on this ottoman, and tell me what it is that disturbs you usually gay self in this manner," said Millie pushed a richly embroidered ottoman towards the prostrate form of her cousin.

"By Jove! I have it! You must distract yourself, you must change the irresistible James Cameron into a mid-aged man, with a lame leg, hunched back, and a deathly cough. All this can be done by the means of a gray wig, false beard, spectacles, cane, etc. You must cough consumptively, talk pathetically of your three dead wives, weep profusely, refer to your ten helpless children, and most important of all, talk of your poverty, and before the interview is ended, papa, or some big brother, will help you to leave the house, if you are not remarkably active. I bet you my new hat that you won't be troubled with any more attentions from this woman, be she handsome as Venus, or homely as a porcupine. By the way, where does Miss Somers reside?"

"Bloomingdale is her P. O. address. Fred, you are a trump."

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"She looks well enough," was Fred's provoking reply, "but for my part, that lovely blonde in azure robes is much more to my taste," and Fred moved away.

To James' delight, Mrs. Griswold and the charming blonde approached him, and they were standing face to face.

"Miss Kate Somers, Mr. James Cameron," so Mrs. Griswold introduced them. Her looked at her, and she looked at him; the truth burst upon them, and they joined in a hearty laugh.

"Why, Mr. Cameron, how is your cough?" was Kate's laughing enquiry.

"Much better, Miss Somers. And I hope your heart doesn't trouble you this evening, and I observe you have dyed your hair," was the gay rejoinder.

"And I notice you have recovered entirely from your lameness," said Kate glanced down at the polished patent leather.

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Distinguished Correspondent.

The last issue of the Mountain Echo contains a letter from Silas Woodson, Governor of Missouri, who is a native of Knox County, Ky., from which we extract the following eulogy upon mountaineer people:

"A kinder, a truer, a nobler, a more intelligent people than those amongst whom you have established your paper can be found nowhere, and perhaps few living men are better prepared to give evidence and form a more correct opinion upon the subject than myself. The generosity of the people of the mountains is proverbial. No human being was ever turned away hungry from a humble mountain home provided there was enough with that home to satisfy his wants. And what community, population and other surroundings considered, are not a sufficiency of provisions on hand for that purpose, so much of the live stock suitable for the purpose, and of the growing crop, if any, as may be necessary to support the exempted live stock one year; all apparatus for washing, not exceeding \$50 in value; one bureau; one wash-stand; one wash stand; one gun, not to exceed \$50 in value; all arms, ammunition and equipments of a militiaman; one sewing machine, and all family portraits and pictures; the tools, not exceeding \$100 in value, of any mechanic who is a bona fide housekeeper with a family, are exempt from levy under execution, attachment, distress for rent, or fee bills. If, however, a mechanic claims the benefit of this section, there shall be but one work beast exempt in his favor. The libraries of all ministers of the gospel, and the professional libraries of all attorneys at law; the professional libraries and instruments of physicians and surgeons, not to exceed in value \$500, are exempt. These provisions, however, are not in addition to the two work beasts, wagon, cart or dray, heretofore mentioned. This exemption is in favor of those only who are bona fide housekeepers with a family. The wages not to exceed \$50 of all persons who work for wages, shall, if such person be a bona fide housekeeper with a family, be exempt from attachment, garnishment, or fee bill: Provided, That the exemption of fifty dollars shall not apply to debts contracted for food, raiment or house rent for the family.

She carried a smelling bottle in one hand, together with a volume of Watt's Hymns, in the other was an immense peacock tail, which she used vigorously as a fan.

She opened her arms to embrace him, but he was seized with a violent fit of coughing, and evaded the embrace.

"Beloved of my heart, do I at last hold you?"

She proceeded to compliment him on his personal appearance.

He told her how much she reminded him of his dear Melinda, and expressed great fear that she would go just as Melinda did. Here he was overpowered with great emotion, and applied the ample folds of his handkerchief to his face in a touching manner.

He enquired if she wasn't very delicate? She replied that she was, her heart troubled her fearfully; she was then seized with a slight fainting fit, but applied the smelling bottle to her nose, and recovered.

He referred pathetically to his ten innocent children at home, and said for their sakes he must select a healthy wife.

Another of General Washington's faithful body-servants is dead. It was a she one, and Arrena Triplett was her name. She was 99 years of oldness, and spent much of her time in talking of her "ole massa," whom she, with a family, no less remarkable than affectionate, styled "the Washington and Custis boys."

The first speaker was a tall, finely built man, with light curly hair, grey eyes, with a light beard, which he was stroking in a very savage manner at the time, and bore the honest name of James Cameron, the cause we have seen of Kate Somers' uneasiness. The second speaker, Fred Morton, was a little below the medium height in stature, with a pair of black eyes that certainly looked

man for his next wife, he couldn't deprive them of a mother's care for the fourth time. He referred, in a delicate manner, to his poverty; she told him that would be no barrier between them, as she had recently lost her fortune.

He coughed in a consumptive manner, and told her, in a dejected tone, that he was sure his days were numbered.

She then enquired what he thought of her letters; said she thought they were real good, her niece was such a good hand at composing. He groaned at this. She sang in a pathetic manner from her favorite Watt's,

"This is the way I long have sought," to soothe his pain.

He evidently wished to bring the interview to a close. She urged him to go to the wedding day, then seeing his reluctance to do so, she called him a villain, a swindler, a base deceiver, to this tramp on a maiden's heart. She fainted away, threw herself into his arms; he rushed frantically for the door, she followed after, heaving the hymn book at his head, and threatening him with a breach of promise suit.

Across the floor, along the floor, You'll see her shining brightly, till she comes to mother's door, And then she'll vanish lightly; in the morning you will find, If nothing happens, he's left us something nice behind—

A beautiful star-baby."

He didn't quite believe her then, For sunny's always chaffing, he tales she tells to me and Len, Would make you die a laughing; so when she went out pretty soon Len said, "That's sunny hummin', ere ain't a bit of Lady Moon, Nor any baby comin'."

Hugged myself it was a fib, And yet I wasn't certain, I kept quiet in the crib, And peeped behind the curtain; Didn't mean to sleep a wink, But, all without a warning, tripped right off— and, don't you think, I never waked till morning!

Then she was sunny by me, And when I climbed out and kissed her, e-y-ughed and said, "You sleep head!" got a little sister!

Hiding her grandmother's knitting away, Teaching the kitten's letters in play, Climber up to the table and sieve, Having a tea-party all to herself. Having a minute, in mischief, doubt, Pulling the needles and thimbles about, Swinging her apron demure as you please— Any one got such a little tease!

Printing her hands in the soft, tempting flour, Tangles the yarn and unravels in an hour; Tangling the yarn and unravels the lace, Doing it all with the prettiest grace.

Mother is seeling her very bad girl, Says that she sets the whole house in a whirl; Look at her poring down on her knees, Claps to her heart again dear little Knit.

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CUT THIS OUT.

List of Exempted Property from Execution.

HOW THE BABY CAME.

The Little Moon came down last night— She did, you needn't doubt it— A lovely lady dressed in white, I'll tell you all about it.

They hurried Len and me to bed, And amily said, "Now may be That pretty moon up overhead Will bring us down a baby.

You lie as quiet as can be, Perhaps you'll catch her peeping between the window bars, to see If all the folks are sleeping,

and then, if both of you keep still, And all the room is shady, he'll float across the window-sill, A bonnie white moon lady.

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CONGRESSIONAL ITEMS.

Several bills have been introduced looking to the repeal of the Bankrupt Law.

Twenty bills have been introduced in the House for the repeal of the "Salary Grab."

Hon. M. J. Durham, of this District, is one of the House Standing Committee on Banking and Currency.

Mr. Blaine was re-elected Speaker of the House, the Democratic vote being cast for Fernando Wood, of New York.

In appointing committees some degree of liberality was shown by the Republicans. The Democrats are allowed control of two important committees.

The most noticeable person among the new members is Hon. A. H. Stevens, of Georgia. A half-dozen or more negroes also occupy places in the House.

The law preventing the free transmission of newspapers in exchange, and requiring postage on papers in the county in which they are published will be all rotted this Session.

Mr. Beck offered a bill to prevent all payment of appropriations for the Executive Mansion during the present term; also a bill to repeal the iron-clad oath, for removing of disabilities under the 14th Amendment; to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to loan United States legal tender notes on the security of national banking act and authorize free banking with practical redemption.

NEW LAWS.

In the new Statutes we find several new laws which we have not mentioned heretofore. We would call the attention of the bar-keepers especially to the three last paragraphs of the following:

"An Attorney's fee cannot hereafter be taxed in any case where the amount in controversy does not exceed fifty dollars."

Lobbying—that is, engaging or assisting in procuring, for fee or reward, the passage of any bill or act, or the rejection thereof, by the General Assembly—is punishable by fine of from twenty to five hundred dollars.

Right of Suffrage and right to hold office are forfeited on conviction of robbery, forgery, counterfeiting, bribery or perjury, or other like crime. The Revised Statutes provided only forfeiture of right of suffrage for ten years after conviction.

Whoever suffers a game of cards or any game whatever to be played in his house at which money, liquor, cigars, treats or other property is won and lost, or with the understanding that the loser shall treat, and he does treat, shall be fined from \$200 to \$500 for each offense.

A person owning or controlling a faro bank or billiard table, who shall suffer or permit any minor, without the written permission of the parent or guardian, to play thereon shall be fined not exceeding \$100, and forfeit his right of again keeping such table.

No spirituous liquors are to be sold in the room in which such tables are kept, nor in any room opening into the same; upon conviction the offender shall be fined \$60 for each offense; his license shall be forfeited, and no license shall thereafter be granted to him.

To the Voters of Lincoln County.

It has been for some time my purpose to become a candidate for re-election to the office of County Clerk at the proper time, but, being unwilling to hasten the beginning, and thereby lengthen the duration of a political canvass, with its attendant annoyances to both candidates and the people, I desired and determined to postpone the matter as long as I could consistently do so. Recent discussions, however, involving my name, which I need not here particularize, make it necessary, as I conceive, for me, in order to prevent misapprehension with regard to my present political attitude, to announce myself a candidate without further delay, as I now do, subject to such action as the Democratic party of the county may see fit to take for the selection of candidates.

If elected, I promise to endeavor in future, as I have done in the past, to faithfully discharge my duties as an officer. Respectfully,

J. B. BLAIN,
STANFORD, Dec. 11th, 1873.

It has been definitely determined by the Democratic Central Executive Committee to hold a State Convention for the nomination of Clerk of the Court of Appeals at Frankfort, February 18th.

It now stands the Solons at Frankfort in hand to be guarded in the manner and matter of their legislation. The C. J.'s correspondent has given them a timely warning, that he has bottled his praise and censure in separate demijohns, ready to be poured out according to circumstances. It is decidedly unfair, not to say tyrannical, in this caustic critic to hold the rod over the Legislature in such a threatening style. To save time, expense and a sense of humiliation, we suggest that this correspondent embody in the form of public acts, all he wants done, and let the Legislature enact it in one sweeping clause. There is exceedingly small propriety in waiting to be scourged into measures by one whose slighted wish ought to be law.

Emigration Turning: Cheap Farms in South-west Missouri.
The Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Company has 1,000,000 acres of land in Central and Southwest Missouri, at from \$2 to \$12 per acre, in seven years time, with free transportation from St. Louis to all purchasers. Citizens, soil, timber, mineral wealth, schools, churches and law-abiding society invite emigration. For particular address, A. G. Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis, Mo. Questions will be cheerfully and promptly answered.

KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

Complied from first page.
Senate.

SATURDAY, Dec. 6.—The first week of the Session closed to-day; there has been little done except to organize and get in working order.....The Committee on Propositions and Grievances presented their report in reference to the claims of Goodloe and Woolridge to the vacant seats in the Lexington District, action upon which was deferred until Wednesday. The Committee reported in favor of Goodloe....The Senate will refer all matters touching the proposed Constitutional Convention to a Committee consisting of Messrs. Turner, Clay, Gatewood, Simmons and Walton.

HOUSE.

SATURDAY, Dec. 6.—Mr. Powers—Leave—To make it a penal offense for any officer of this Commonwealth to accept a free pass over any railroad or other corporation in Kentucky....Walker—Leave—To forbid the law partner or partners of the Attorney General, Commonwealth and county attorneys, of this State to defend any person or persons, whom by the laws of the Commonwealth it is made the duty of those officers to prosecute....Mr. Badger—Leave—In relation to the registration of births, marriages and deaths in Kentucky. General Statutes.....Same—Leave—To legalize dissection in the surgical schools of this Commonwealth. Judiciary....Mr. Beckman—Leave—To subject railroad property in Kentucky to county and municipal taxation.

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A black cross **X** in the margin of your paper indicates the time for which you subscribe, and that you are requested to pay the amount. A red cross indicates that the subscription remains unpaid, and you are dunned for it.

TO-DAY'S ITEMS.

New staples for cost at J. O. McAlister's.

Call and settle old scores with W. J. Rochester, at J. O. McAlister's.

McAlister isn't quite sold out, and now offers to sell dress goods at 20 per cent. below cost.

A. Owlesley has in his splendid new brick building, corner Main and Lancaster streets, two nice rooms on the second floor, suitable for offices, which he wants to rent, to be occupied first of January next. For terms, etc., see him. 91-4t

DIE.

On Friday morning, November 18th at the late residence of Rev. John S. Higgins, in Lincoln county, of pneumonia, Miss Polly Turner, aged 73 years.

By request of the deceased, Elder W. L. Williams will preach the funeral discourse of Mrs. Annie Wright Van Epps; and her brother Napoleon B. Wright (who died in Ossceola, Mo., recently) at the Christian church, in Hustonville, on next Sunday.

The Bayley Family.

This really wonderful family of musicians gave two concerts at the Christian Church, in this place last week. The audience, though comparatively small, was composed of some of the most appreciative lovers of music and admirers of a high order of musical talent—who prefer such entertainments as given by the Bayley family to the worn out and vulgar jokes of minstrel troupes. The entertainment was decidedly superior to anything that has visited Stanford for many months. The troupe is composed of members of Prof. Bayley's family, who possess, without exception, most remarkable talent. Prof. Bayley has, for many years, taught music in the first colleges of the South, and was principal of the music department of Hockers Female College, Lexington, for several years. He has also an enviable reputation with the musical world as a composer of merit. His health is now such that he cannot longer continue in the school room, and has resorted to giving these delightful parlor entertainments. That he has spent much time and great care upon the musical education of his children, is manifest. Miss Gertrude, the accomplished soprano, has a voice full of richness and power, sweet in tone and exceedingly distinct in articulation. Miss Junie has a charming mezzo-soprano voice, and is peculiarly at home in a character song. Master Eddie possesses a remarkably sweet tenor voice, and excels in accompaniments. Little Mary, aged ten years, as an instrumental performer is a perfect prodigy, and in song as sweet as the nightingale. Her rendition of the "Tempest," fantasia brillante, we have never heard excelled by professional performers. We cheerfully commend the Bayley Family to our brethren of the press and musicians generally, as worthy of their patronage and unbounded admiration.

The Peak Family.

The only Original and justly Celebrated Peak Family, Vocalists, Harpists and Swiss Bell Ringers, gave our town a call last Tuesday night, and a worse taken in house, of the numbers, the Stanford archives don't mention. The merited reputation of the Swiss Bell Ringers, of which many of us had heard reliable parties speak, together with the novelty of music on bells, drew a large and curious crowd; but parties who were shrewd enough to suspect the bell and save their money, can't find any body who will admit he bought a ticket and was at the show—rather, *the farce*—for the body of the performances were meant to be farcical, but were a *farce on farce*.

The original Miss Fannie Peak has, doubtless, spent the *last forty years of her life* hammering away on the same old staff of bells, whose tones have cracked and grown shriller with declining years; and, now, having no equal in the world, we feel sorry for *off* bell ringers, and advise parties desirous of hearing music hammered out with little sticks, to hunt up an old dulcimer and go to practising, if they find no performer. They'll save money and have better music than the *unparalleled* Miss Fannie made at Stanford.

Mr. Ed. S. Peak is *unexcelled* in his staff and table bells, and piano solos—according to programme. We heard nothing from the Peak Family excelling Mr. Ed. S. Peak's *remarkable* performances on the bells, but have heard infinitely superior music from the old dulcimer—even from loose splinters vibrating in the breeze. We have never heard any of Mr. Ed. S. Peak's piano solos; but any of our little girls who have been trying a few months, can play as good accompaniments as he gave us.

Mr. Alf. Wyman, the Humorist, Facial and Dialect Artist, without a rival upon the American Stage in his Dutch and Irish specialties, is a *fraud*. He has the happy faculty of distorting his features into rather homely expressions, but any of those jolly drummers who pretend to delineate Dutch and Irish characters, are as much superior to him as our worthy countyman, Col. Wm. Elkin, is as a Facial Artist. Mr. Wyman couldn't get a position as "end man" in any troupe of Negro Minstrels that doesn't travel with a circus.

Lavake sung a good song, but isn't the best flute-blower by many. He has a good voice, but is more keenly sensitive of the fact than any of his auditors, and his affectation and egotism are *nauseating*.

Little Dot, an adopted member of this stunning family, believes all true of himself, which the flaming posters claim, and is excusable in his puerile affectation on the stage, in consideration of his association with his peacock model, Lavake. His favorite attitude is that of a venerable gander gazing at a meridian sun.

The veteran Manager and Founder of Bell Music in the United States, Mr. Wm. Peak, Sr., kept himself conspicuously before the audience during the evening, but was content to afflict the unfortunate crowd with but few of his performances, for which he deserves great credit and has our lasting gratitude; but, in the matter of organizing and running such a miserable troupe, he deserves the execrations of all Christendom.

We are in sack-cloth and ashes in conse-

quence of our contribution to their success-

humble, here, though innocent, having been

led by some of our exchanges to believe that

what they hear the Peak Family. We shall

endeavor to earn a living by legitimate labor.

Notice.

The Stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank of Stockbridge, Ky., will meet at the office of said Bank on the second Tuesday of January, 1874, for the purpose of electing a

President for the ensuing year.

STANFORD, KY., Dec. 2d, 1873. 91-6t

One hundred pupils are in the Christian College in Hustonville.

Miss Jessie, at the Stanford Fair, has the largest music class here—thirty.

The junior and married part of the population has been laboring recently in admiration for musical talents.

The called or special term of the Circuit Court will begin on the 1st of January, and continue several months, and continue several months.

All varieties of game, from the loaded dice; from the roulette, to the fascinating keno, are about to be introduced.

Oh, the door! the door! the door! the door! recently introduced, are the hallowed relics of ancient street.

A few Lincoln county horses are to be sold on good terms, notice of which will be given in our advertising columns.

The mumps have broken out among the students in the district.

Preachersville, in the county, the school will open on the 1st of January.

It is not generally known that the State Statutes are to be sold on the 1st, coffee house.

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Lost on Saturday evening, in the Christian church and gold spectacles were found. The finder will be suitably rewarded.

St. Nicholas, the little fellow, is scrubbing the chimney, preparing for his annual visitation, and down chimneys to find presents for twenty days till Christmas.

By request of several persons, we will postpone our corn-show, we will not have it until next Monday at noon, to place on exhibition the best corn crop may do so on.

The Public Library will be open on the 1st of January, in Louisville, and the postponement was, no doubt, to give time for the proper action by the Board of Directors.

The ladies are now as busy as the period of *Catherine*, and it is possible that they will, in their desire to be in advance backward, a few days, to augurate the simple and styles of the paradi-can era.

The Courier-Journal pic- tures are to be sold on the 1st, and the price is to be increased.

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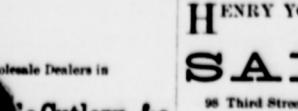
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